# SUMMARIZED MINUTES SCOTTSDALE CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2006



# WORK STUDY SESSION CITY HALL KIVA 3939 N. DRINKWATER BOULEVARD SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Manross called to order a Work Study Session of the Scottsdale City Council on Tuesday, March 28, 2006 in the Kiva, City Hall, at 5:11 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Mary Manross

Vice Mayor Ron McCullagh

Council Members Betty Drake, Wayne Ecton, W.J. "Jim" Lane,

and Kevin Osterman

Absent: Councilman Robert Littlefield

Also Present: City Manager Jan Dolan

City Attorney Deborah Robberson

City Clerk Carolyn Jagger

# 1. Proposed FY 2006/07 Operating and Capital Budget

**Work Study Item:** Staff presentation and City Council discussion of the City's Proposed Fiscal Year 2006/07 Operating and Capital Budget. No formal City Council action is requested this evening.

**Staff Contact(s):** Craig Clifford, Financial Services General Manager/CFO, 480-312-2364, <a href="mailto:cclifford@scottsdaleaz.gov">cclifford@scottsdaleaz.gov</a>; Arthur Rullo, Budget Director, 480-312-2435, <a href="mailto:arullo@scottsdaleaz.gov">arullo@scottsdaleaz.gov</a>

Staff provided a presentation outlined as follows:

- Budget Process Overview
- Future Budget Considerations
  - o Pending legislative actions could impact property tax and sales tax

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- General Fund Revenues
  - Sales tax is the largest source of revenue
- Service Area Demands
- Total Proposed Capital Budget by Project Type (\$863.8M, includes \$498.6M of carryover)
- Capital Projects Expected to be Completed in FY 2006/07
- Highlights of Proposed Capital Budget
- Total Capital Budget by Location and Type
- Service Budget by Fund
- General Fund Expenditures by Type
- General Fund Cost Drivers
- General Fund Proposed Staffing by Service Areas
- General Fund Contingency and Reserves
- Transportation Fund
- Debt Service Fund
  - Property tax rates will decrease by about 1%
- Water and Sewer Fund
  - A \$1.3M reduction in water costs from the City of Phoenix is contemplated when the Chaparral Water Treatment Plant comes on line this year.
- Solid Waste Fund
- Proposed Combined Utility Rate Increases of about \$2.83 per month (4.3%) on a typical utility bill
- Aviation Fund
- Internal Service Funds
- Calendar of Budget Meetings

### Council/Staff discussion:

- In response to questions from Council, staff clarified that the location of a new library in north Scottsdale has not yet been determined and that WestWorld improvements do not include a new Events Center.
- Councilman Ecton believes that raising the City's expenditure limit is critical to continuing projects and attracting tourists.
- Discussion was held regarding causes for increases in personnel services, including health costs, retirement contributions, market adjustments, and cost of living. Staff will provide further information regarding each category.
- Chief Willie McDonald explained that funding has been budgeted for recruitment and training of twenty-two ambulance personnel, but actual staffing will occur in the 2007/08 budget. No new personnel have been requested for the Fire Department because the numbers were readjusted to use overtime hours for vacation coverage.
- Discussion was held regarding inflation rates and population growth rates. Councilman Lane requested that staff furnish exact figures/percentages to the Council.
- Council urged citizens to attend upcoming budget forums and participate in the budget process.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT** - None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS - None

# **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the Work Study Session adjourned at 6:29 P.M.

**SUBMITTED BY:** 

**REVIEWED BY:** 

**Sandy Dragman** 

Sandra K. Dragnan

**Recording Secretary** 

Carolyn Jagger City Clerk

Officially approved by the City Council on 25, 2006

## CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Work Study Session of the City Council of Scottsdale, Arizona held on the 28th day of March 2006.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

**DATED** this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2006.

CAROLYN JAGGER

City Clerk